

Minutes of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 14th January 2026 at Kimble Stewart Hall at 7.30pm

Attendance: Cllr John Austin, Cllr Delia Burton, Cllr David Williams, Cllr Alun Jones, Cllr Joanne Bourke, Cllr James Cripps and Clerk Pauline McBride.

161) Welcome and Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Harvey Alison.

162) Declaration of interest in any item on this agenda by a member: None were declared.

163) Minutes. To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th December 2025.
Unanimously approved.

164) Finance Report:

a) January Payments for approval.

Pauline McBride	December Salary	£676.00		£676.00
HMRC	Tax and NI	£64.20		£64.20
Pauline McBride	Expenses December	£44.00		£44.00
Well Medical	Defib for Hayfields	£1325.00	£265.00	£1590.00
Shield Maintenance Ltd	Bin emptying December	£57.43	£11.48	£68.91
LRRC	Biodiversity info search	£63.00	£12.60	£75.60
Play Inspection Co.	Annual playground inspection	£147.00	£29.40	£176.40
SRT	December Litter pick	£120.00	£24.00	£144.00
Cashplus Account	Top up December Expenditure	£106.68	£10.94	£117.62
		£2603.31	£353.42	£2956.73

January Payments were noted and approved.

b) Income Received in December

Lloyds Bank interest	£22.54
Unity Bank interest	£520.89
KSH	£1.00
Total	£544.43

c) Bank Balances -Total Bank Balances at 31st December were **£ 529,898.73**

Income and bank balances were noted.

165) Planning Applications, appeals and injunctions plus any updates of allocated sites as included in the Neighbourhood plan.

PL/25/6077/PIP: Clematis Cottage, Lower Icknield Way, Great Kimble, Buckinghamshire, HP17 9TX. Application for permission in principle for the erection of a minimum of one and maximum of four dwellings. **As comments were required by 25/12/2025, comments to strongly object were submitted on 22/12/2026.**

PL/25/4987/FA: Orchard House, Lower Icknield Way, Great Kimble, Buckinghamshire, HP17 9TU. Erection of a detached double garage. As comments were required by 16/12/2026, comments in support were submitted on 16/12/2026.

25/05109/FUL: Brook Farm Marsh Lane Marsh Buckinghamshire HP17 8SP. Change of use of existing agriculture land to equestrian and development of Manege with post and rail fence and five bar gate (retrospective). Since comments were required by 12/01/2026, comments in support were submitted 22/12/2025.

PL/25/5840/FA: 1 Brookside Cottages, Brookside Lane, Little Kimble, Buckinghamshire, HP17 0UF. Conversion of garage from storage and utility for main house to ancillary accommodation including bedroom and study including changes to external cladding and addition of insulation. Removal of shed to the rear of garage. There were no objections. **Clerk will comment in support of this application.**

The following status changes of applications were noted:

PL/25/3360/FA: Haycroft, Cadsden Road, Cadsden, Buckinghamshire HP27 0NB. Construction of front entrance porch, side external chimney and single storey rear extensions. **Permission Refused 11/12/2025.**

PL/25/3818/FA: High Holborn Farm, Marsh Road, Little Kimble, Buckinghamshire, HP17 8TF. Internal and external works to existing residential outbuilding. **Conditional permission granted 09/01/2026.**

166) To update on Sensory Gardens and Coronation Memorial Project. Cala were meeting to appoint new landscapers and confirmed that they will absorb any price increases, that the new landscapers might charge, in relation to sensory garden landscaping. Cala will meet again with the Parish Council representatives on 30th January and expect to have a clear schedule of activities and timings. Drawings of the memorial statue and pergola had been received from the manufacturer, who had also confirmed their willingness to store the items until the garden is ready. Matthew Ringland is ready to order sample glass, costing around £1000. This is already included and approved in the overall budget.

167) To consider the next steps of the Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan. Neil Homer of ONH had indicated that he would be available from January 2026. **Clerk will email ONH to say the Parish Council are ready to engage at his convenience, noting there is no rush.**

168) To discuss current list of CIL projects. A list of all CIL expenditure, summarised at project level, had been distributed with the meeting pack. There were discussions on other potential CIL projects including bus stop seating, footpath signage, notice boards. In addition, a request for funding to purchase land for Kimble School had been received and was favourably considered by the Parish Council, noting that further details on land size and price would be needed to discuss in detail. **Clerk will request additional information from the school and will add to agenda for February.**

169) To note budget loaded to Scribe and precept request for 2026/2027 submitted to Buckinghamshire County Council. Noted.

170) To note quarterly accounts report and accounts review. Noted.

171) To note playground inspections, results and actions. The playground inspection report and quotation for repairs had been circulated and reviewed by all. The attention to detail and professionalism of the report were appreciated and the quote for £500 repairs to comply with the report was approved. **Cllr Burton will organise repairs with Playspace Solutions.**

172) To update on Hayfield bins, defibrillator and road signs status. The defibrillator had been delivered and arrangements for fitting on 19th January were made. Bins had been ordered and the order status updated to out for delivery. Shield Maintenance will take delivery and organised installation. A notice board for the estate was also suggested. **Cllrs Burton and Williams will look into designs and clerk will add to agenda for discussion in February.**

173) To update on insurance renewal options/status. The clerk advised that no insurance companies would quote whilst we are under the current 3-year contract and until the current supplier provides a renewal quote. The insurance is due for renewal on 31/03/2026. **Clerk will obtain quotes as soon as renewal invite is received.**

174) To consider the suggestion of awards for 'Good Citizens of the Year'. The Clerk advised that other Parish Councils provided plaques, scrolls or certificates as awards, but not cash. The Parish Council resolved to consider awards for good citizens as and when they arise and not on an annual basis. In addition, the method of nomination will be considered. **Clerk will investigate examples/procedures of other Parish Councils.**

175) To consider re-requesting footpaths and crossings in light of the postponed Princess Risborough Bypass. A number of requests had been declined in the past, due to the expected/planned bypass/relief road. The suggestions to re-request several high priority items were agreed. These were pedestrian controlled traffic lights at the Bridge, which were considered even more essential now as the new housing developments mean that large numbers of residents are crossing over to reach the new and very popular village shop. Additionally, the large numbers of new residents on the Hayfields side of the Village are crossing daily to get to school, church, village hall, bus stops etc. In addition, the playground footpath has eroded and a pelican crossing to get to the playground was also suggested to request again. **Clerk will log on fixmystreet.**

176) To consider a suggestion to have 'Welcome Letters' for all new residents. This was previously suggested and agreed to be a good idea. More details of what to include were discussed (KSH, local phone numbers, newsletter, Parish Council meetings, website etc.) The suggestion to hold a cheese and wine welcome meeting for new residents was also put forward and recommended to be included as part of the AGM. **Cllr Austin will produce a draft letter for review and approval. Clerk will add cheese and wine suggestion to agenda when AGM is being planned.**

177) To update on potential development of sports facilities (tennis courts and cricket club). Buckinghamshire Cricket Club had approached Kimble Cricket Club with a view to taking over and developing their facilities in order to provide a much-improved sports facility. A meeting with representatives from Bucks Cricket Club, Kimble Cricket Club and the Parish Council has been arranged for 27th February.

178) Marsh Kerbing/Pinch Point Project update. There had been some recent comments on the on-going state of verges and give way points on Marsh Road. **The Parish Council resolved to talk again to local residents, at the end of this Winter, to ascertain their current views/concerns.**

179) Kimble Stewart Hall update. There had been a meeting between the KSH committee and the Parish Council on 8th January to discuss how best KSH could move forward effectively and how the Parish Council could best support them. A hall manager was suggested to take some of the day-to-day workload off the volunteer committee members and also to work on advertising, marketing, grant applications, on-line booking potential etc.

180) Parish Matters. A number of Parish Councillors had encountered issue in setting up their new email accounts on their phones. **Clerk will provide support details.**

181) Correspondence, reports, and issues (for information only) Nothing to report.

182) To confirm the date of the next Parish Council Meeting. Wednesday 11th February 2026.

Meeting closed at 8.40

Chairman.....

Date: